

HEARST LIES About Life In The Soviet Union

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Writer Who visited Same Regions As Hearst
Liars, Reveals the True Situation
In Soviet Union

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Why is it that W. R. Hearst and his backers, the members of the American Plunderbund, are putting on a nation-wide campaign against the Soviet Union and the American Communist Party? If the correct answer to this question could be gotten across to the sucker public, those who are reading and believing the lying stories about the Soviet Union in the Hearst Press would be disillusioned, and they would be able to appraise the stories for their exact worth.

Many reasons exist for Hearst's persistent offensiveness. First, as has already been stated, those who own and rule the United States do not desire that the economic slaves within their jurisdiction shall learn the facts of Socialist construction in the Soviet Union. They do not want the 23,000,000 persons on the dele in this country to know that no able-bodied man or woman in the Soviet Union has to accept public charity. They do not want the immense army of the American unemployed to get wise to the fact that the Soviet Union has completely abolished unemployment. They are reluctant to let the slaves of American industry learn that in the Soviet Union the workers are masters of their jobs and that industrial democracy is an established reality.

* Recognition of Soviets.

Aside from these reasons there are others. Since the time when Franklin D. Roosevelt, as governor of New York, refused to permit Hearst to dictate the political situation in the Empire State, the editor and publisher, in every way possible, has sought to discredit and defeat Roosevelt. His support of Roosevelt for the Presidency was a negative support. When Roosevelt belatedly recognized the Soviet Union, Hearst from that moment began actively to oppose every measure and policy which Roosevelt championed. Deliberately he commenced to lay the groundwork of a campaign to compel Roosevelt to cancel recognition and withdraw American representatives from Moscow.

When the workers of the Soviet Union were denying themselves to the bone, and were making material sacrifices that amazed even themselves, in order to get money wherewith to purchase foreign machinery essential to the establishment of their basic industries, the American press kept up a continuous barrage of misrepresentation and lying editorial comment concerning what the Soviet workers were doing. Now that the basic industries are built, the First Five Year Plan overfulfilled, and the workers are beginning to reap the rewards of their earlier sacrifices in a higher living standard that has come with the operation of the Second Five Year Plan, the rage of the American exploiters, with Hearst as their spearhead, is boundless.

* Toward Industrial Leadership.

The stepping up of Soviet industry and agriculture contrasted with the American decline, clearly revealing the superiority of the Soviet system of common ownership and control over the American system of private ownership for private profit, is a development that is not calculated to lessen the hatred which American exploiters bear toward the land of the Soviets. That the output of Soviet steel and oil this last fiscal year should rank second to the United States is a fact that is giving the masters of American capitalism much concern. That in every department of industrial activity the Soviet workers are going ahead with increasing enthusiasm, while American workers by the millions are living in a state of increasing anxiety and fear, constitute a phenomena from which the American exploiters withdraw with dread.

* Deliberate Lying.

Hearst's idea in having printed a series of lying stories about the Soviet Union, obviously, is to falsify the Soviet situation to the American workers so that they will remain contented with their own terrible fate. If the American workers can be induced to believe that the Soviet workers are starving by the thousands, it will naturally follow that they will think whatever Gods there be that their starvation is not so rapid and not on such a wholesale scale. Additionally, this belief will tend, it is estimated, to prevent the American workers from listening to agitators or organizing a rebellion. Another reason for the lying propaganda against the Soviet

Union is discoverable in the disappointment which followed the refusal of Soviet officials to do business with American financiers and industrialists on terms distinctly detrimental to Soviet interests. Shortly after the recognition and exchange of diplomatic representatives between the United States and the Soviet Union, an arrangement to expand trade between the two countries was made. But the conditions the Americans laid down were so manifestly unfair that the Soviets had no choice but to refuse. Back of this refusal is a story that the whole world should know.

* Soviets Cheated.

When I was in Leningrad I was shown a lot of junk, called laundry machinery, rusting in a warehouse. Several years previously Soviet buyers purchased it from an American manufacturer, paying a price twice what first class machinery was worth. At that time the Soviet Union was in dire straits in its attempts to engage in foreign trade. All foreign manufacturers took advantage of Soviet necessity by overcharging for what Soviet agents bought. If credit was extended, the Soviets were compelled to pay a rate of interest out of all proportion to the exactions of justice or fair dealing. Nevertheless, in the emergency, the Soviets purchased foreign products and foreign machinery and without complaint, paid the high prices charged and the exorbitant interest rates asked.

In those days Soviet workers were just beginning to familiarize themselves with modern machinery. In their ignorance and inexperience it was comparatively easy for them to be imposed upon by foreign merchants and manufacturers. This situation has changed now, but in the beginning of Socialist construction, Soviet workers, and Soviet agents were imposed upon and discriminated against outrageously.

* Sent Old Junk.

The laundry junk I saw was not the laundry machinery the Soviet agent bought in Detroit. His purchase called for the latest and best equipment for the latest and best equipment for the Leningrad state laundry. When the machinery was unboxed on the Leningrad docks, worthless junk was disclosed, not the modern machinery that the Soviet agent bought. And the tragedy of the situation was that it was useless for the Soviet government to make complaint to the American government because no recognition between the two countries existed. The junk was placed in a warehouse, where it lies today, and the incident was closed.

This laundry machinery experience, in the early days of Soviet construction was repeated time and again in the matter of other purchases, especially where American merchants and manufacturers were involved. The deceit and fraud perpetrated upon Soviet buyers and workers by agents of American capitalism naturally made the Soviets wary in their dealings with Americans. When they were helpless they had to submit to the outrages; now that they are on their feet they demand to be treated as equals.

* Danger of Fascism.

After all, however, what Hearst and his plutocratic associates fear is the example of farmer and worker ownership and control, and the superiority of Soviet methods over capitalist methods, which the workers and farmers of the Soviet Union are showing to America and the world. To avoid the inauguration of Communism, which American workers and farmers would gladly accept and practice, once they grew intelligent and informed, Hearst and his conspirators are determined to follow the course of Hitler Germany by establishing in the United States the despotism of Fascism. The race between Communism and Fascism is a race between an intelligent understanding by

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FEDERAL HEADS BREAK PLEDGE TO GALLUP MEN

2 DEPORT HEARINGS ARE
HELD DESPITE GOV'T
WORD TO CONTRARY

Mexicans Framed

DISTRICT ATTORNEY IS
ACTIVE IN ATTACK
ON DEFENSE

SANTA FE, N. M., May 23.—In direct violation of its pledge the Department of Labor already has held two hearings against workers held here on deportation charges. Last week Washington promised no deportation charges would be pressed "until after the trial" of those framed by Gallup mine owners on charges of first degree murder.

Jesus Pallares, district organizer of the Liga Obrera, and Doroteo Andrade, ex-convict in the Gallup case who was wounded by deputies on April 4 in Gallup are the two whose hearings have been held.

The hearings took place before N. D. Collier, El Paso District Supervisor of the Bureau of Immigration, who declared, in the case of Pallares:

"My survey of Communist activities in New Mexico, conducted early this year, established that Jesus Pallares was one of the most active and obnoxious agitators in the state."

* Led Protest.

In February, Pallares had organized a demonstration which defeated passage of a pending Criminal Syndicalism bill. He has now been placed under \$1000 bond pending action by the Department of Labor.

Collier, it has been revealed, originally had asked for a warrant of arrest against Doroteo Andrade, which caused him to be taken into custody following his discharge after a preliminary hearing on April 24. Collier also acted as interpreter for Andrade, who speaks no English, and will himself make recommendation to the Department of Labor concerning deportation.

Although Andrade can neither read nor speak English, evidence introduced against him included copies of "Why Communism" and "Program of the Third International," both printed in English. Andrade is 35 years of age and has been in hospitals and jails ever since the April 4 shootings. He finally was released after International Labor Defense Attorney Levinson had made an impassioned plea before the Mor-

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The Election Did Not Stop One-Man Cars

One-man cars are operating on many San Francisco streets. The election in no way settled the question, as the company operates under an injunction. Your neighbor may be the next man to be fired by the Market Street Railway Company. Boycott one-man cars and protest the injunction granted by Federal Judge Louderback!

L. A. YOUTH DAY BACKED BY 215 ORGANIZATIONS

SEEK PARADE PERMIT FOR
A DEMONSTRATION IN
PERSHING SQUARE

LOS ANGELES, May 21.—Efforts to get a parade permit for United Youth Day are still being pushed vigorously by the United Youth Day Committee and numerous sympathetic organizations.

* Trade Unions Join.

Participating organizations in the May 30th demonstration and parade include a score or more of trade unions, including the Cotton Compress local of the International Longshoremen's Association, the Sailors Union of the Pacific, the International Ladies' Garment Workers Union, the Shipyard Workers Union, the Capmakers Union, Painters and Paperhangers and many others.

Held under the auspices of the American Youth Congress, United Youth Day in Los Angeles has the endorsement of 215 organizations with 40,000 members.

* Pershing Square Demonstration

Plans call for a demonstration in Pershing Square at the Soldiers' monument, from which the speaking will be made.

Aiding in the effort to get a parade permit are leading members of the Utopian Society, trade unions, liberal and religious groups.

The Young Peoples Socialist League, which walked out of the Youth Congress on the issue of not seating the Spartacus delegates is now back in the Congress and taking an active part in the work.

On the evening of May 30th a huge mass meeting will take place in the Mason Opera House to which older as well as young people are invited.

ROOSEVELT SAYS NO BONUS UNTIL 1945 PAYMENTS

SENATE KILLS PATMAN'S
INFLATION MEASURE
IN CLOSE VOTE

Vets Told to Starve

PRESIDENT NEGLECTS TO
MENTION PAYMENT BY
TAX ON RICH

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 23.—An obedient Senate today backed Roosevelt in his refusal to pay the bonus, by voting to sustain his veto of the Patman inflationary \$2,200,000,000 measure. The vote was 40 to sustain and 54 to override. A two-thirds majority was necessary to pass the measure over Roosevelt's veto.

* Against All Bonus Plans.

President Roosevelt, in a talk matchless for its demagoguery, on Wednesday afternoon, had returned the Patman measure to the House of Representatives, meeting in joint session with the Senate. His talk definitely indicated that he will fight any and all proposals to pay the bonus until it falls due in 1945.

In effect, he told the veterans to go on relief, if they were not already there, and take their chances of starvation along with the other millions who are to be forced down to even lower levels of penance by the pauper's wage outlined by Roosevelt for the new public works program.

* Coolie Rates.

He is against payment to the veterans of American imperialism in the last war because it is "better to treat every able-bodied American alike and to carry on

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S. F. Warehousemen Force Resignation Of Agent Traitor

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Under pressure of rank and file protest, Harvey Cart, business agent of the San Francisco Local of the Warehousemen, I. W. A., was forced to resign at the union meeting here Wednesday night.

Cart, delegate to the Portland District Convention of the Longshoremen, sold out the rank and file of the Warehousemen by voting for Lewis, along with the Paddy Morris clique.

Upon hearing of Cart's action, the rank and file warehousemen circulated a petition against him and he was compelled to hand in his resignation.

Bonus Army Is Mobilizing On Pacific Coast

LOS ANGELES, May 24.—Veterans are mobilizing a new Bonus Army to march on Washington. Approximately 200 attended the first open-air recruiting meet here today.

Other divisions are forming in San Francisco and Sacramento. The entire California contingent is expected to number 5000. Mobilization in other states is reported under way.

Nat'l Youth Day Demonstrations Set For May 30

OPEN AIR MEETINGS AND
MARCH ARRANGED IN
S. F. AND EA. BAY

OAKLAND, Calif., May 23.—The American Youth Congress, East Bay section, has won a permit for their May 30 anti-war and anti-fascist demonstration, to be held in Jefferson park at noon.

Wide backing of representative youth groups was responsible for this capitulation on the part of the police department. The May Day demonstration in Oakland, which won permission to mobilize in the park, was a step forward in the fight for free speech.

Plans call for the mobilization of the demonstration at South Park at 11 a. m. with a march to the Embarcadero after the meeting, and dispersal at the Embarcadero to go on the lunchride to Paradise Cove.

Lack of time to conduct a campaign for the right to meet on the Embarcadero was behind the decision of the Congress to meet in South Park.

In the NEXT ISSUE Traveling With Headquarters In the Field

By SAM DARCY
A regular feature column to appear in every issue. Comments of the District Organizer of the Communist Party on affairs in the West.
Not a formalized educational department, but an informal review of interesting sidelights briefly told.

Also

Another instalment of Geo. H. Shoaf's Series of articles on the Soviet Union.

40,000 Now Out In North West Lumber Strike

Scotia Workers Organize 24-hour Picket
Line; Main Body of Strikers Holds
Out for All-Or-None Settlement

EUREKA MAYOR ASKS FOR
"COMMITTEE OF 1000"
TO SMASH STRIKE

COMPANY UNION FORCES
SEPARATE AGREEMENT
IN SOME SECTIONS

EUREKA, Calif., May 23.—More than 3000 lumber workers are striking in the Redwood District and additional groups are coming out daily. There are approximately 4500 men working in the lumber industry in this section.

Strikers at Scotia are organized into squads and have instituted twenty-four hour picket lines with shifts changing every four hours. The Women's Auxiliary of the Sawmill and Lumber Workers Union is running a relief kitchen and has secured a hotel in which single men are staying.

Mayor Sweasey of Eureka and the Chamber of Commerce are calling for the organization of a "Committee of 1000" to help the lumber operators to break the strike.

The local Federal Reemployment office is doing its bit for the employers by notifying all unemployed woodmen who are registered that if they want work they can get all they need at the camps on strike. So far not a single logger has gone out from the Federal Scrap Agency.

Longshoremen at Eureka have refused to handle scab lumber. Leo Flynn, A. F. of L. fader who was chased out of Everett, Wash. by rank and file strikers because of his Red-baiting and sell-out proposals, is in Eureka to see what he can do for the bosses here.

PORTLAND, Ore., May 23.—Although it is reported several mills are negotiating for separate agreements with workers in an attempt to split the solidarity of the 40,000 now striking, the main body of lumber workers still continued to call for a complete walk-out of the entire industry with no separate agreements.

Directors of the Loyal Legion of Loggers and Lumbermen, a notorious union, are leading the attempt to break the strike through individual agreements. It is reported the officials of the union already have struck an agreement with the lumber operators providing meager wage increases and the 40-hour week for some strikers.

From Eureka, Calif., to Seattle, Wash., the demands of the strikers have been for the 39-hour week and a 75 cent basic wage rate.

At Forest Grove, Ore., 800 pickets surrounded the plant of the Simson Lumber Co. in an attempt to prevent the company from putting scabs to work. Deputy sheriffs with tear gas and rifles were rushed to the scene in an endeavor to aid the company.

EPIC LEADERS TRY TO DRIVE MILITANTS OUT

EXPULSION CHARTER MEMBER
FROM GALLERY AT THE
EPIC CONVENTION

LOS ANGELES, May 21.—Continuing to raise the "red scare" as a means of covering up the "significant" events that took place at the recent Epic convention, Epic leaders are now visiting Epic Clubs in an effort to hold the rank and file in line for the right-wing.

"Communists," Saul Klein told the Epic Club at Ninth and Towne avenues, "tried to break up the convention." Klein is the legal advisor for the End Poverty League board of directors.

* Undemocratic Methods.

It was Klein who, privately admitting to a reporter that the convention was steamrollered by the Epic leadership, was overheard admitting to the reporter, that the reason undemocratic methods were used was because "most of the delegates were psychopaths." It was also declared at this club that the disturbance in the gallery, when a charter member of the Epic movement was thrown out was the work of a "Communist plant."

* "Most Loyal and Best"

This "Communist plant" was one of the charter members of the Epic movement, according to his membership card and has been selling the Epic News since the day it started publication right to and including the Convention. The purchasing agent of the End Poverty League, who has charge of circulation for the paper, says this "Communist plant" is the most loyal and best newsie that the Epic movement has. (More Epic News on page 3, 5)

Soviet Pig Iron Invades America

PORT NEWARK, N. J., May 21.—The first shipment of pig iron from the Soviet Union arrived here recently, amounting to 1,400 tons. This shipment illustrates the Soviet Union's industrial rise from a backward country obliged to import most of its manufactured goods and export farm products, to a country competing on even terms with the foremost industrial countries in the world.

The Communist Party and Democracy

An Answer to Upton Sinclair On the United Front

In order to avoid bringing the question of a united front with Communists to a vote on the floor at the recent Epic convention in face of the evidently rising sentiment for such a united front, Mr. Sinclair railroaded through the following substitute motion: "that the End Poverty League shall enter into united front with all sincere democratic groups that believe in democracy and a program of production for use."

* Purposely Misleading.

This motion was purposely worded in such a way as to give the delegates the impression that it was broad enough to include Communists. The obvious intention of Mr. Sinclair, as can be seen by his vitriolic attacks against the Communist Party during the convention, is that this shall be interpreted to exclude the Communist Party, as a non-democratic organization, which does not believe in production for use.

* Program Contradicts.

What are the facts? 1. The Communist Party program calls for ruthless struggle for the abolition of the capitalist system and for the establishment of a workers' and farmers' gov-

ernment which shall immediately put the means of production in the hands of the working class. Production for profit will immediately be abolished. Production for the benefit of the producers will be instituted. The Communist Party is the only organization which actively organizes the working class day in and day out for incessant struggle against the capitalist system, which is the implacable enemy of production for use!

* Sinclair "Democracy."

2. As to democracy: If the Epic convention is a good example of the kind of "democracy" Mr. Sinclair has in mind when he speaks of "democratic groups," we frankly state that it is a new brand to us. Mr. Sinclair, who called the convention Epic League, himself arbitrarily appointed the members of all committees, arbitrarily stopped voting on further resolutions after 13 had been acted upon, and had all others referred to his own committee of three appointees, besides arbitrarily forcing a rescinding of the convention action in passing two resolutions, one of which was for the recall of Merriam.

* Soviet Union.

We point to the Soviet Union as an example of real working

class democracy. There, out of a population of 170,000,000 people, 90,000,000 vote in the elections. In this American "democracy," which functions with the aid of grandfather clauses, pauper tests, residence qualifications and literacy tests, only 38,000,000 million vote out of a population of 122,000,000 people. The democracy instituted in a workers' and farmers' government is based on the producers of hand and brain, and not controlled and limited to a minimum by means such as those above. This democracy can be achieved only when the working class itself takes control of the nation's productive forces out of the hands of the handful of capitalist parasites who now control and stifle them.

* The Fundamental Aim.

The Communist Party is organizing the working class, the middle class, the small farmers and impoverished professional people for struggle to achieve such a democracy. The Communist Party, itself functioning under the principle of democratic centralism, is the only champion of a real democracy—democracy for the masses.

It is obvious that the Communist Party believes in democracy. It is equally obvious that the Communist Party believes in production for use—and furthermore,

Epic Convention Was Ruled By Machine, Not Democracy

is actively engaged in organizing forces that can make production for use a reality.

But Mr. Sinclair framed his ambiguous motion with the intention of ruling out the Communist Party in united front actions. This maneuver must be met by all honest and sincere Epic members and clubs by uniting now with the Communist Party, the Utopians, the Technocrats, the Socialist Party, trade unions and other working class bodies in joint struggle for those immediate demands of the working class such as unemployment insurance, the struggle against vigilantism and fascism, against war, for the unionization of industry, for adequate unemployment relief, etc.

Any stand which makes for perpetuating disunity among the working class is essentially an anti-working class stand, no matter under what skillfully-worded phrases about "democracy" such a stand is concealed. Whoever stands in the way of a united front of all working class organizations, on a program of minimum demands, is giving objective aid to the enemies of production for use and real working class democracy.

Alabama Still Hopes to Dodge Negro Jurors

Order Requires Names Be Placed In Jury Box, But Does Not Say Negroes Must Be Put on Jury

By Robert Wood
(Alabama Leader of International Labor Defense—Special to Crusader News)

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 20.—The tremendous Scottsboro victory was thrown the Alabama State officials and their press, into a panic. Blustering solicitor H. G. Bailey, who made the infamous "Jew gold from New York" speech to one of the lily-white Scottsboro juries now uncomfortably confesses that "it looks like something will have to be done." The decision he characterizes as a "body blow."

The Birmingham Post editorially cries quits. "What is to be done?" it asks. And quickly answers: "Let us be through with the whole affair at the earliest possible moment." The Birmingham News calls for "remedial action." For "if this should not be done" it continues "every case, either of a major or minor nature, involving a Negro defendant, hereafter tried in Alabama, could conceivably be appealed to the United States Supreme Court, and each conviction set aside."

Liop Service.
Soon after the decision was rendered, Governor Graves of Ala-

bama, aware of the fact that the eyes of the entire working class were on his state, rendered lip service to it. He issued a statement instructing all jury commissioners to empty the jury boxes and refill them after adding the names of eligible Negroes. He also stated that he would seek remedial legislation to cover the refilling of jury boxes.

He added, after stating that the decision was the most important thing that had occurred in the South since "the War between the States," that "this decision means that we must put the names of Negroes in jury boxes in every county of the State."

It should be noted that Governor Graves' statement refers only to the necessity of putting Negroes' names in "jury boxes" but that he is silent as to the necessity for putting NEGROES ON THE JURY. This gesture therefore evades the clear mandate contained in the language of the Supreme Court's opinion in reversing the lynch verdict after inquiring not only into the fact of whether jury service was systematically "denied in expressed terms but also whether it was denied in substance and effect."

To Continue Jury Exclusion
It is clear therefore that Governor Graves' statement omits any instructions as to actually placing Negroes on Alabama juries.

The press wasted no time in clarifying this statement. The Birmingham News quickly explained that "the Governor's order does not require that Negroes be placed on juries. But does require that their names must be placed on jury rolls and in the boxes from which jurors are drawn."

The views of the rest of the Alabama press and of its officials definitely shows that not only is a determined effort to be made to yet legally lynch these innocent boys but also that the systematic denial of the right of jury service to the Negro people will be sought to be continued.

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RAILROADS IN SOVIET UNION MAKE RECORDS

CARLOADINGS DOUBLE
FIGURE OF SEVEN
YEARS AGO

MOSCOW, May 24.—The Soviet railroads which have been pictured in the capitalist press as broken down, hopelessly inefficient, and practically out of commission have been establishing new records. In April the plan of work was overfulfilled for the first time in years, with car loadings averaging 61,990 per day, compared with 56,000 cars last year, and around 36,000 cars before the first Five Year Plan was begun seven years ago.

Since the appointment of the dynamic and popular Lazar M. Kaganovich as head of the railroads recently, great progress has been shown. Special efforts have been taken to improve the living conditions of the railroad workers, and to increase the safety of their work. A goal was set to give one million railroad workers individual gardens of their own. In one month accidents were cut by one-fourth.

Socialist competition has stimulated the railroad workers to increased records. At the beginning of May a record of almost 76,000 cars loaded in one day was set, leaving all former records far in the dust.

Railroad construction is proceeding rapidly. Some three thousand miles of double track will be laid this year. More freight cars are being built than ever before. In March 6,000 cars (in two axle units) were built, against an average for last year of 2,500, which was itself a record.

Gallagher "Free Speech" Trial to Take Place July 1

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—Retrial of Leo Gallagher, Elaine Black, Paula Morgan, and Edward Johnson on charges of "inciting to riot" because they were present at a park meeting, was set for July 1 by Judge Lazarus yesterday. Previously a jury had been unable to agree when several jurors declared they would find the defendants guilty because of their political beliefs, regardless of the evidence presented at the trial.

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67 Fourth St., cor Jessie, S. F.

\$6,000 SPENT TO FIND COP'S FINGERPRINT IN MURDER CASE

San Diego "Red" File-Keeper Who Lists All Liberals As Communists Gets Taste of His Own Medicine

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 19.—There's an officer on the San Diego police force who is surely going around saying: "Is MY FACE RED?"

This officer, Walter J. Macey, is the superintendent of the Bureau of Identification, at the police station. He is the one who keeps up all the files, fingerprints, measurements, photos, etc., which have to do with the catching of the big, bad criminals.

Lots of Communists.

Well, it was discovered by the reporter on one of the evening papers that Macey was keeping a file of REDS, and to the horror of this reporter, he discovered listed as a Communist—of all the people—the liberal columnist of his paper! He also saw listed as Communists—several ministers, and many well known liberals, as well as several very prominent people.

When he went to the Chief of police and asked him—how come?, the chief passed the buck to Macey and said the files were personal hobbies of Macey. But Macey said: "They are reports of investigations made by police officers. I keep them up. That's my job. If I walked out of here, I couldn't take them with me." He also said that these reports of investigations are sent up to Sacramento to the State Bureau of Criminal Investigation. Macey also admitted that not only were records kept of known Communists, but also names and activities of persons suspected of being sympathetic towards Communism were recorded.

Mugging the Pinks.

"Some people are not really 'Reds'," stated Macey. "They are what we term as 'pinks.' You can't tell, though, what they might drift into. So we keep their records."

However, let's get on to the reason why Macey's face is red. This Communist who was listed as being a Communist, to retaliate against Macey, dug about in that sewer-like mess of police records, and fished out one of the prize police "dumb-bell" stories of all times.

The Silverthorn Case.

Some years ago in the Chula Vista there was a murder which since has been called the Silverthorn Case. Right after the murder a search for fingerprints was made. Macey was in charge. After

carefully searching he found one on a window sill. The print was photographed and approximately \$6,000 was spent in circulating it around the world, trying to identify it. Time marched on and some of the detectives at the local station began to check up on this print. They finally began to check up on the prints of the deputy sheriffs and then got down to those of the police. Then last of all, they checked up on Macey himself, and what do you think they found out?

YESSIR, IT WAS MACEY'S VERY OWN FINGERPRINT!

He wouldn't believe it at first, so it was sent up to Los Angeles for verification. When they agreed it was his, he still wouldn't believe it and it was then sent to Sacramento. When they said it was his, and only then, did Macey give in!

It just goes to show what type of a police "dumb-bell" has been placed in charge of these so-called "red" files.

It is left to his "judgment," which the above story proves is not very sound, just who is to be suspected of being sympathetic to the REDS, and who is to be included in these Communist files, for the vague reason that it can't be told what they might drift into!

Railroad Money Used for Bribery

SAN FRANCISCO, May 17.—The Southern Pacific paid \$33,000 to the Industrial Association of San Francisco in 1934, \$49,865 to the Association of American Railroads, \$12,835 to the California State Chamber of Commerce. Hale Holden, chairman, received a salary of \$60,000 and Paul Shoup, vice-chairman, and A. D. McDonald, president, received \$50,000 each.

Charges that a million dollar loan from the RFC, supposedly for taxes and accrued interest, was used by the St. Louis-San Francisco RR for counsel, advertising agents and protective committees, were made by J. L. Krause, New York attorney, in hearings preliminary to the move for an investigation of the railroads by Senator Wheeler. Krause also charged that New York bankers forced the Frisco to lay off 50 per cent of its employees, to insure dividend payments in 1931.

U. S. INDUSTRY DOWN, SOVIET PRODUCTION UP

SUCCESS OF SOCIALISM SEEN IN INCREASING SOVIET PROSPERITY

MOSCOW, May 21.—Industry in the United States, leading capitalist country, and in the Soviet Union, leading socialist country, are travelling in exactly opposite directions. This was disclosed by industrial reports released recently, which show that Soviet industrial production is increasing rapidly, and American industrial production is declining.

25 Per Cent Increase.

Production of heavy industry for the first four months of this year in the Soviet Union jumped 25-per cent over the same period last year. Production also showed increases in every month of this year. Other branches of industry also showed rapid increases.

U. S. Business Lower.

In the United States, the index of industrial activity, as measured by the conservative New York Times, fell to 81.3 for the week ending April 27, as against 85.8 at the same time last year. It showed a steady drop since the week ending February 2, when this year's record level of 88.2 was recorded.

Successes of Soviet industry are shown by details comparing April of this year with last year. The output of woolen cloth increased 80.9 per cent; silk cloth, 17.6 per cent; footwear, 5.8 per cent; stockings, 21.5 per cent, etc. In heavy industry aluminum output jumped 11.6 per cent; freight cars, 106.5 per cent; copper, 72.8 per cent; locomotives, 5.6 per cent; motor trucks, 31.8 per cent, and steel, 31.8 per cent.

At the same time in the United States the end of April saw the production of steel, lumber, cotton cloth, and many other articles at a rate less than the corresponding figure for last year.

College Is Infested By Vigilante Thugs

MADISON, Wis., May 17.—Vigilante thugs, organized at the University of Wisconsin on the model advocated by Hearst, beat up three members of the League for Industrial Democracy, a liberal organization devoted to the discussion of social problems. The three included a medical school instructor, a national organizer for the League, and the president of the local unit.

23 Still Held As Result Of Gallup Terror

Immigration Authorities Planned Mass Deportation at Behest of New Mexico Mine Operators

SANTA FE, N. M., May 23.—Due to the scrupulousness of the U. S. Immigration Bureau officials, it has been impossible until now to obtain accurate information on the number of persons held for deportation as a result of the police murders of April 4 in Gallup.

More than a hundred were originally arrested during the terror in Gallup, many of whom were third degree and beaten. Others were arrested at various times later, with or without warrants, some grabbed as they were released from the preliminary hearing by illegal invasion of the district courtroom, others upon release from the penitentiary at the conclusion of the hearing.

Several of the defendants still in the penitentiary are also announced to deportation, and it is reported that one immigration official tried to make a "deal" with the defense whereby charges against these defendants would be dropped provided they agreed to deportation. This underhand and probably felonious offer was promptly rejected.

Details on the 23 men known to be held as a result of, if not actually arrested in, the Gallup terror following the April 4 shootings, follow:

Held in El Paso, Tex.:

1. Frank Williams: Needed a defense witness; terribly beaten at time of arrest, April 4 or 5; liable to be deported to Wales. Williams was whisked out of Gallup to El Paso on the day (April 12) Attorney A. L. Wirgin arrived in Gallup to interview him. Defense Attorney Clarence Lynch has notified immigration authorities Williams is needed as a witness. So far as known, Williams has failed to demand 1. L. D. attorney at hearing.

2. Alejandro Correa: Ex-Gallup miner now in El Paso; brother of two Correas held for murder on \$7500 bond; arrested recently (date undetermined) when he visited Frank Williams in jail in El Paso.

Held in Gallup, N. M.:

3. Frank Massila: Gallup property owner who has often gone on bond of Gallup workers; liable to be deported to fascist Italy; arrested during the first terror

wave; has demanded I.L.D. attorney at hearing.

5. Antonio Martinez: Arrested in terror; released on recognizance because has 9 children (only man so released); liable Mexico; has asked I.L.D. attorney.

6. Pedro Pedraza: Arrested in terror; liable Mexico; has asked I.L.D. attorney.

7. Jose Martinez: Arrested in terror; liable Mexico.

8. Trinidad Sandoval: Arrested in terror; liable Mexico.

Held in County Jail, Santa Fe, N. M. Note: All men held in Santa Fe have demanded I.L.D. representation.

9. Crescencio Villar: Released during preliminary hearing, April 22, and immediately rearrested, together with next two men named, by an illegal invasion of the district courtroom by U. S. Deputy Marshall Mollica and two state police; liable Mexico.

10. Pilar Rodriguez: Same status as No. 9. Cases was the only woman admitted to the hearing before Justice of the Peace Beckel on April 4 which immediately preceded the shootings.

12. Jesus Pallares: Resident of Santa Fe and district organizer of the Liga Obrera (Spanish-speaking Workers' League); an ex-convict of Madrid, N. M., blacklisted and evicted in May 1934; arrested (without warrant, according to eyewitnesses) while at work on an FERA job in Santa Fe, April 23; had helped defeat criminal syndicalism bill by leading large demonstration of native Spanish workers into state senate; also led big protest demonstration before Governor against Gallup terror April 24; liable Mexico.

13. Basilio Gutierrez: Defendant in Gallup case released after preliminary hearing, April 24; immediately rearrested together with No. 11 for deportation; liable Mexico.

14. Doroteo Andrade: Rearrested with No. 13; liable Mexico. Andrade was one of those who had been shot by bullets on April 4 and not fully recovered when sent to penitentiary where his wound was not cared for; has since recovered.

Held in Gallup—arrested since preliminary hearing.

15. Florencio Gomez: Arrested April 27 or 28; liable Mexico.

16. Casimiro Gomez: Arrested April 27 or 28; liable Mexico.

17. Tiburcio Covarrubias: Arrested April 27 or 28; liable Mexico.

18. Mike Starov: Defendant in Gallup case released after preliminary hearing; date of arrest unknown; liable to be deported to fascist Yugoslavia.

Held in State Penitentiary, Santa Fe, as defendants:

19. Augustin Calvillo: Held on first degree murder charge without bond; liable Mexico.

20. Gregorio Correa: Held for murder on \$7500 bond; has 11 children; liable Mexico; brother of No. 2 and 21.

21. Victorio Correa: Held for murder on \$7500 bond; has new baby born since imprisonment; liable Mexico; brother of 2 and 20.

22. Rafael Gomez: Held for murder on \$7500 bond; liable to be deported to Spain.

23. Serapio Sosa: Held for murder on \$7500 bond; liable Mexico.

To sum up: All but four face deportation to Mexico. Two face execution or the torture chamber in fascist countries. All but two are residents of Gallup (exception No. 2 and 12).

Easy Jolt Handed

Rich Swindler By San Diego Judge

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 23.—If the judge is a "good soul," it's all right for a socially prominent young man like Winfield Lacey of this city to play around with \$39,000 of other people's money.

So Judge Lloyd Griffin, instead of sending him to San Quentin where Judge Dal Lennan sent the eight C. S. victims, sentences him to a couple of years in the county road camp. If he behaves he can get out after a few months on probation.

Lacey appropriated the money of twenty-two clients to play around with in Wall Street. Judge Griffin told him: "I feel the nature of your crime is such that I should send you to San Quentin, but I am taking into consideration the high standing of your mother and father in this community."

From The Worker Correspondents

Thugs Threaten Relief Delegates

DENTIST REFUSED RELIEF WHEN SICK CHILDREN GO TO COUNTRY

SAN FRANCISCO, May 24.—A committee from the Public Works and Unemployed Union which went to Relief Station No. 5 was threatened by thugs with black jacks and ejected from the place when they demanded relief for a dentist.

Relief was refused because the dentist's family was forced to go to the country by the doctor's order to care for his two sick children. A committee of four men and one woman was appointed to demand relief be given him.

On arriving at the Relief Station they searched from room to room for Mrs. Lucas, Mrs. Minn, and Mrs. Moore, the bureau-geats of the relief station, who would not receive them. These three are responsible for the high handed and arbitrary refusing of relief to workers in District 5, and workers' organizations should demand their immediate dismissal.

The committee was met by thugs with black jacks and ordered from the building. These thugs were not regular police, but probably thugs who were given special privileges in return for hanging around ready to beat up any worker who kicked too much about the raw deals being handed out daily from Relief Station No. 5.

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San Diego Unions To Help Teachers Win Back Pay Cut

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 22.—The Federated Trades recently unanimously pledged support to the American Branch of Teachers' local branch in its fight to get the full restoration of wage cuts made two years ago.

The occasion was the appearance of Floyd Cockling, who heads the local "company union" of teachers, the Teachers' Association, and Walter M. Casey, president of the Motor Car Dealers Association, a notorious union hater, who urged support of the Teachers' Association plan of asking for restoration of one-half of the wage cut. Charges were made that this same Teachers' Association had in the recent election supported the Board of Education members who had cut their salaries. The Teachers' Association was urged to unite and affiliate with the American Federation of Teachers, since only through the building of a strong, fighting organization will their wage cuts ever be restored. The Board of Education will never restore them willingly.

The union-busting Casey, who is a Ford agent, made a demagogic address, which he ended with: "What we need is, to return to that rugged individualism that guided our forefathers in founding this republic." He said he was for higher wages because the money would stay in this city and be spent here, but he didn't seem to know how the teachers were going to get these higher wages. The delegate from the Auto Mechanics pointed out that Casey's own employees have been forbidden to join the Mechanic's Union and were being paid the lowest scale in town.

SERA Checker Collects For Gift to Boss

SUPERINTENDENT FLUNKY TAKES NAMES OF ALL WHO "GIVE" DIMES

BY AN SERA Worker
SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—On Thursday, May 16 the checker on our job, the Telegraph Hill Park project at Lombard and Kearny streets, came around collecting dimes from the underpaid workers for a present to the Superintendent who makes about \$35 per week.

Some of the workers, afraid of losing their jobs, gave dimes, not realizing that if we all had refused to kick through the checker could have done nothing about it. There is nothing in the SERA regulations which says we have to give presents to superintendents.

When I refused, I was shoved out of the gang I had been working with and put in with another bunch. The checker took the names of all those who gave the money, in an attempt to intimidate those who did not give.

Last week, we all quit ten minutes early, thinking it was quitting time. The boss stood in front with a hammer. He was mad, but we didn't pay any attention to him—we walked on. That's what we should have done when the checker, who probably is a stool pigeon, asked for the money.

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Free Speech for "Collich" Girls Not for Workers

WORKERS DISPERSED BY COP WHEN THEY OBJECT TO ANTI-LABOR TALK

By a Worker Correspondent.
LOS ANGELES, May 18.—A city ordinance prohibits public speaking, blocking the sidewalks, or gathering a crowd around oneself in Pershing Square.

Woe to the unwary individual rash enough to attempt discussion of conditions from a working class viewpoint. He or she is immediately warned by the police to move on, refusal means arrest and a jail sentence in Lincoln Heights.

Last evening a group of girls from the University of Southern California, initiating three of their number into the Kappa Kappa Gamma, a secret sorority, drew a large crowd around them. Officer number 19 of the police department stood by, and in this case paid no attention to the blocked sidewalks.

When one of the group, clad in red with her face smeared with lipstick, climbed on a bench and gave a feeble burlesque of a radical speaker, crying out with her squeaky voice, "we want government of the people" the crowd, instead of laughing, gave voice to such uncompromising remarks that they were forced to clear out.

As they were leaving an elderly woman standing in the midst of the crowd started talking. She was heard to mention "the millions of hungry people in America they were making fun of."

This was too much for Officer No. 19, who immediately dispersed the crowd.

COUNTY-WIDE BOYCOTT WINS WAGE INCREASE FOR WORKERS

San Bernardino Organizations Force Co. To Ask for Conference Where Demands Are Formally Presented

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif., May 20.—A skillful fight for higher pay for employees of "Smart and Final Co.", wholesale grocers, has forced that company to send for representatives of the workers for a conference.

The committee of workers that promptly visited Smart and Final presented the following letter:

"Gentlemen:
"We, a committee of the San Bernardino County Association of Labor and Relief, affiliated with the California State Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations, representing 7000 members in San Bernardino County, have been instructed by the delegate body in regular meeting assembled, to present to you the following demands:

* Union Pay Demanded.
"That the following rates of pay established by this Association be maintained:

"Skilled labor, \$1.10 per hour.
"Semi-skilled labor, 80c per hour.
"Common labor, 60c per hour.
"That time and a half be paid for all time after six hours.

"That no worker be obliged to work more than 30 hours in any week.
"That a committee of the workers be recognized to arbitrate any differences arising between the contracting company and the workers.

"This association is prepared to fight to a finish the matter in question, using their constitutional prerogatives. We will withhold all activities pertaining to this matter for a period of twenty-four (24) hours after delivery of this letter, pending acceptance by Smart and Final of this agreement.

"All communications regarding this matter should be addressed to the San Bernardino County Association of Labor and Relief; J. P. Murray, secretary, 382 H St., San Bernardino."

* Partial Compliance.
Without delay Smart and Final raised pay for common labor from 40c to 60c per hour. Refusal of the balance of the demands will bring an increase of the mass pressure that forced them to invite the workers committee to a conference in the first place.

The entire county-wide Federation of Unemployed and Allied Organizations instructed their membership to tell the retailers from whom they buy to cut out Smart and Final Co. or the retailers would be boycotted. The tremendous backing of women workers made the campaign very successful.

* Prepared to Go On.

So much so that Smart and Final's competitors took advantage of the situation to get some of that company's business. The workers were thus able to utilize the throat-cutting tendencies of the bosses to their own benefit. They are well prepared to keep it up in the event Smart and Final reject the balance of the demands.

East of the Rockies

Lynchers Go Free; Negro Victim Arrested

DALLAS, Texas, May 23.—A gang of white farmers attempted to lynch Allen Samuel, 32-year-old Negro farm hand, at Richardson, Tex., after the worker had defended himself from an attack by Jack Holland, white farmer. Officers who intervened just as torture was being inflicted on the Negro worker. No attempt was made to arrest any of the lynch mob.

Troops Who Murdered Striker Freed

LA GRANGE, Georgia, May 23.—A court-martial by National Guard officers quickly freed Sergeant S. T. Stone and Corporal O. D. Smith on charges of killing Lonnie Stephens, textile striker, while evicting him from his home. The troops were called out to protect strikebreakers at the Callaway Mills, which have been on strike since February. C. Callaway, the owner, is a close personal friend of President Roosevelt.

Case Strikers Repel Charge of Scabs

RACINE, Wis., May 23.—A flying wedge of scabs charged the mass picket line of strikers before the J. I. Case tractor plant in an effort to break through and were thrown back. An injunction had been issued limiting the number of pickets to fifty for each plant, with orders to walk two by two, fifty feet apart. 2100 strikers answered the injunction with the mass picket line. After the scabs were beaten off police arrested two of the pickets.

Michigan Court Outlaws Red Flag

LANSING, Mich., May 23.—The State Supreme Court has upheld the constitutionality of the Michigan "Red Flag" law, which declares that display of the red flag in parades or assemblies is evidence that it is used as an "emblem of anarchy." The ruling was made on the conviction of two Michigan workers for displaying the red flag two years ago. The court ordered a retrial on the ground the jury was not properly instructed that the red flag is an "emblem of anarchy." This ruling denies a permit for an antiwar parade in Detroit, and refusal of the Cass High School for the Second American Youth Congress because "Communists are listed among the speakers." It is regarded as preliminary to the passage of the Dummick Bill by the State Legislature, a strong anti-labor piece of legislation.

Shipyard Workers Vote On General Strike

CAMPDEN, N. J., May 23.—20,000 private shipyard employees, working on \$150,000,000 worth of naval construction, are voting this week on the question of a general strike. This decision was reached at a meeting of the General Executive Board of the International Union of Marine and Ship Building Workers, independent, which was called to map support of the strike of 4000 workers at the New York Building Company plant. The general strike would not only be in sympathy with the Campden strikers, but would be for wages, conditions and union recognition. Delegates from San Diego, San Pedro and San Francisco also met to discuss the situation.

Two Scottsboro Indictments Quashed

MONTGOMERY, Ala., May 23.—Acting on the mandate of the U. S. Supreme Court, the Alabama State Supreme Court has ordered the indictments against both Haywood Patterson and Clarence Norris, Scottsboro defendants, quashed. Although no indictments now exist against them, they were ordered held for further proceedings on the basis of new false warrants sworn out at Scottsboro by Victoria Price. Indictments still stand against five of the boys, while Roy Wright and Eugene Williams, the two youngest, are awaiting hearing before the juvenile court. In the last two mentioned cases the International Labor Defense is pressing for a date for the hearing, which will have all the character of a trial.

Seattle Anti-War Parade and Meet For Memorial Day

YOUTH IN HIGH SCHOOLS SET UP PERMANENT ANTI-WAR FRONT

SEATTLE, May 20.—A big parade against war and fascism will leave the Community building in Seattle on May 30, going out Fourth Ave. to the War Memorial in Woodland Park. The parade will be composed of cars and trunks, some as floats and others decorated with antiwar slogans and banners. A permit has been secured from the police department.

The parade will follow a youth conference held in the Morrison Hotel on Third Ave., and a demonstration on the lawn of the Community building. Harry Pilcher of the Everett I. L. A. will be among the speakers at the evening mass meeting.

SEATTLE, May 20.—The High School Student committee Against War and Fascism has endorsed the Pacifist Sound Youth Conference Against War and Fascism, and urged each member to return to his school and organize a committee there to visit the other school organizations inviting them to send delegates to the Conference.

The High School Student committee met first in April with the object of organizing publicity to correct and counteract the false and incomplete stories of the high school strike of April 12, carried by Seattle dailies, particularly the Times. At its second meeting, however, it was unanimously decided to elect a chairman to serve until the opening of school next fall, and to organize then as a delegated body with representatives from school clubs and committees opposed to war and fascism.

The committee will meet every Thursday until May 30. Those wishing to communicate may write to the chairman, Mr. Irvin, at 313 Mutual Life Building, Seattle.

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Rooms for one or more students for District Training School—June 1 to July 1. Register available rooms at 37 Grove st. or 463 Hayes st.

ROOSEVELT SETS NEW LOW FOR RELIEF BUDGETS

\$19.00 TO \$94.00 WAGE RATE ESTABLISHED UNDER WORKS PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 23.—The 40-hour week and \$19 to \$94 monthly wage rate will prevail under the new \$4,800,000,000 work relief program, according to a dictum just handed down by President Roosevelt.

The new wage scale knocks into a cocked hat all prevailing rates now in practice throughout the country and represents a substantial decrease in practically every relief wage budget in effect at present time.

Not only are the wages to be considerably lower than ever before but sectional discrimination is to be continued. Whereas, in Calif. and other northern states the minimum is announced at \$40 and the maximum at \$94, in the South the minimum is to be \$19 and the maximum \$75.

* Millions Neglected.

According to Federal Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins at least 90 per cent of those gaining work under the new plan must be taken from relief rolls. No provision is made for additional millions not now on relief but faced with the prospect of relief or starvation in the very near future. Nor does it take into consideration the additional thousands who have been cut off relief recently on a variety of pretexts or those whom Roosevelt refers to as "unemployable."

Roosevelt's latest wage-cutting adventure is seen in compliance with demands from Wall Street, through the National Chamber of Commerce and the National Manufacturers' Association for a relief wage substantially lower than prevailing rates in private industry.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 21.—

While unskilled labor here has heretofore been paid an average of 50 cents per hour, the new Roosevelt decree will force thousands to the country where most of the public works projects will be established and where they will be forced to work for 22 cents per hour or less.

* Aids Rich Farmers.

Hundreds of thousands of families who now are receiving considerably larger monthly allowances, arbitrarily will be cut to the minimum \$40.

Wealthy farmers for a period of weeks have carried on agitation for a lower relief wage so that workers will be forced to accept jobs in the fields and canyons at whatever meager wage the employers see fit to pay. Roosevelt has come to their aid.

(See editorial, Page 6)

The Resolution Sinclair Feared

Petition Circulated By Rank and File Delegates Stressed Need of United Front; Called for Labor Party

LOS ANGELES, May 25.—Following is the text of the United Front resolution which Sinclair dared not allow to be debated in the Epic Convention, and which his machine prevented from coming to a vote. This resolution was drafted by a committee of delegates, circulated in the convention and signed by 67 bona-fide delegates.

Sinclair not only prevented debate, or rank and file motions on the question of the United Front, but himself offered a ridiculous "substitute" motion "that we form a united front with all sincere democratic groups that believe in Democracy," and railroaded it through.

THE RESOLUTION

Whereas: There is evident an alarming growth of fascist tendencies in California as exemplified in vigilante actions, murder of strikers, attacks on the unemployed, and denial of free speech to Epics, Communists, trade unionists, and liberals; and Whereas: William Randolph Hearst and other reactionary capitalists of his ilk are carrying on a well-financed agitation aimed to promote fascist activities; and Whereas: Simultaneous with the above facts we witness a continuing lowering of the standard of living of the working people and unemployed, and a unity of all reactionary capitalists and their agents to stifle any protest against this;

Therefore Be It Resolved, that that we, the First State Convention of the Epic Movement of California declare ourselves in favor of establishing a united front of Epics, Utopians, Communists and Socialists, trade unions, and all other anti-fascist and pro-labor organizations to agree on a common platform of immediate action to recall the Merriam administration and improve conditions and

Be It Further Resolved, that we carry this united front into the political field, and put forward a United Labor Party ticket; that all organizations joining such a movement shall maintain their own independent organizations and their own independent place on the ballot; that the common list of candidates be entered under all the participating Party headings; the cumulative vote to go to elect the candidates; and

Be It Still Further Resolved, that each organization retain its ultimate aims and retain its right to propagate them and that the common platform shall set forth the needs of the people in social insurance and old age pensions at the expense of the capitalists; higher wages, free speech and similar demands; and

Be It Still Further Resolved, that we elect a committee of five at this convention, and urge all localities to do likewise to contact all organizations to further these aims.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The month of June has been made anti-deportation month. This action was taken by 125 delegates, representing 82 trade unions, workers clubs, and cultural societies at the delegate meeting on Thursday, May 9th, of the American Committee for the protection of Foreign-Born.

There it was decided to carry on an intensive campaign against discrimination and deportation of foreign born workers during the last few weeks of the 74th Congress. Scores of deportation and discrimination measures have been introduced in Congress and powerful reactionary elements are urging the passage of such measures.

As an example of the work done by the Committee, Paul Clerin, organizer of the Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union Local 119, pointed out how use of deportation was attempted to prevent organization of the Caruso Restaurant chain here.

Two union workers were seized by the immigration inspectors. Protest committees soon forced their release, and the workers were so angered by this incident that most of them quit the company union and joined the Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union.

World Events and Western Workers

"Soviets Everywhere" French Workers Answer Fascism

By Emmett Kirby

Czecho-Slovakia, France Sign Soviet Mutual Aid Pact, Result of Workers' Campaign Against Imperialist War and Fascism—Hitler Tries to Mend His Fences

"The front of the powers fighting for prevention of war has received re-inforcements." Thus Pravda, central organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union characterizes the signing by Czecho-Slovakia of a mutual assistance pact similar to that signed by France and the USSR.

Despite all the yapping of the capitalist press of the world that the pact signed on May 17 was simply "another war alliance between Russia and France," the strength of this pact for the postponing of imperialist war is clear to the working class of the world.

Czecho-Slovakia, where Nazi and Italian imperialist rivalry now reaches perhaps its sharpest point, has swung into line.

"Our way lies with the Soviet Union, with the country without which the peace and equilibrium of Europe is impossible," Edouard Benes, Foreign Minister of Czecho-Slovakia declared, as this country south of Poland and touching a fifth of Germany's border signed up.

* Workers Force Signing.

The answer, too, to the slanderers' claim that the Soviet Union has sold out the Communist Parties of other countries, is obvious in this action.

In both France and Czecho-Slovakia the strongest Communist movements in capitalist Europe are to be found, and it is their consistent fight against imperialist war which has been a great factor in forcing their capitalist governments to take this step to aid peace.

The yells of "sell-out," raised only be active enemies of the USSR and the world proletariat, were heard before, it will be re-

membered, when the Soviet Union recognized the United States and exchanged ambassadors. At that time it was declared that the Communist Party, U. S. A., would have to crawl into a hole and twiddle its thumbs. Facts proved the contrary—strikes and other struggles since then prove that the Party has been even more active than ever.

Such indeed will be the case now in France and Czecho-Slovakia.

After all, the warm reception accorded Laval by the workers of the USSR on his recent visit and conversations was no personal tribute to Laval, but one of enthusiastic accord with the French people.

Laval, it will be recalled, had been actively intriguing among the nations of the Little Entente in the Balkan sector to defeat the Eastern Lovarno pact of mutual assistance. It was only the force of the anti-war sentiment of the French workers and peasantry, reflected in great united front demonstrations and meetings, in many refusals of the new class of conscripts to answer "the call to the colors," and particularly the great increase of strength of the Communists and militant Socialists in the recent municipal elections that determined the action which is by way of being a personal right-about-face.

Imperialist France was in the position where she had to choose between accord with a land of workers' rule and the very real danger of attack by Germany.

With the Soviet Union offering the mutual aid pact, driving a wedge into imperialist rivalries, those for whom Laval is minister had their decision very largely made for them by the organized pressure of the working class for peace.

* Two Demonstrations.

Two recent events in France show this sharply.

In the elections of a week ago the Anti-Fascist United Front of Communists, Socialists and others, won a sweeping victory throughout the country.

Eight Communist Councilmen were elected in Paris.

Two Communist candidates were elected mayors of districts of Paris.

Sixteen new mayor candidates of the United Front and many of them Communists were elected in the immediate suburbs, welding the now famous Red Ring around the French capital.

Twenty other municipalities in the Department (state or province) in which Paris is located, elected Communist or other United Front governmental control.

Further outside Paris twelve mayors were elected by the United Front, including the important industrial cities of Lyons, Mulhausen, St. Etienne, and Urbain.

In Aubervilliers two Communists were elected over the Laval candidates, just by way of calling to Laval's attention that his war propaganda was not getting over with the workers.

This tremendous increase of the power of the Anti-Fascist front, one of whose main slogans was against imperialist war and fascism, could not be ignored.

* "Soviets Everywhere!"

Neither can the other event, which occurred this Monday.

More than 200,000 workers in Paris threw into the shadow the observance of Joan of Arc Day when led by the Communist-Socialist Front, with red-flags flying, they marched through the streets of the capital. Some 30,000 gendarmes stood silently not daring to interfere as they paraded to the wall of the Pere le Chaise Cemetery, to the Wall of the Communards to commemorate the heroes of the Paris Commune of 1871.

And, although the shouts rang all along the line of march, neither did the police dare open their mouths, as they heard the cry of the marchers, "Down With Fascism!" and "Soviets Everywhere!"

No doubt Laval heard it, too, in the distance.

* Hitler's Move.

So did Hitler. And the latter's speech the following day was not the deft that was expected. For two hours and fifteen minutes he yelled "Pacifism" in the Reichstag.

The "sincerity" of this need hardly be commented upon, for it is obvious that the recent pacts have forced him into this position.

But if his sword-drawing was

Paying Debts to Other Nations Is Crime In Germany

NUN GETS FIVE YEARS FOR PAYING DEBT TO AMERICAN BANK

BULLETIN

MUNICH, May 20.—Nazi mobs attacked Catholic collectors following the conviction of Sister Wernera for smuggling money out of Germany. The anti-Catholic riots were instigated by the Nazi press, and the police intervened only with great reluctance, as demonstrators paraded against "Catholic traitors." Refusal of the Catholics to join in a Nazi state church has always been a thorn in the side of Hitler.

BERLIN, May 21.—It is a crime to pay your debts in Nazi Germany if the debt is owing to a foreign creditor. Sister Wernera, Catholic nun of the Order of St. Vincent was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and a fine of 140,000 marks for the crime of smuggling money out of Germany in order to pay a debt owed to a St. Louis bank.

* Many Others Tried.

Scores of nuns and priests in Germany face trial for the same "crime." So seriously is the crime of sending money abroad regarded by Hitler, that they are charged with "treason" for having done so. At the same time that Hitler forbids payment of debts, he poses as the upholder of the sanctity of private property and contracts against Communism, as exemplified by the Soviet Union, which has strictly fulfilled every obligation ever undertaken by it.

* Nazi Innovation.

The forbidding of the export of money from Germany came about when Hitler first got into power. Then the country's short term foreign debt was so heavy that financial bankruptcy loomed, and foreign creditors were denied the right to enforce payment on their notes when due. Subsequently the German debtors were allowed to pay their debts if they wanted to, by exporting goods. In order to get this payment, the foreign creditors were obliged to accept from a third to a half less than the note called for. In this way the German short term debt has been reduced and the foreign creditors have born the loss.

* Soviet Credit Good.

The same bankers who lost so heavily in Germany, had refused to extend credit to the Soviet Union, which paid its debts. In many cases they extended credit to Germany, which the German bankers used to promote trade with the Soviet Union. Today, the Soviet Union has paid the German bankers in full. They in turn refused to pay the American banks except at a reduced rate.

Foreign News Briefs

French Ship Strikers Stay With Demands

PARIS, May 23.—Delegates of the striking crews of the liners Normandie, Champlain and Lafayette walked out of a day and a half long conference with merchant marine industrialists. They returned to Le Havre for another meeting with the strikers. The sailors, numbering more than 2000, are determined not to board their ships before their demands are met. Their chief demand is wages on a yearly basis, instead of being paid by the trip.

Unemployment Increases In Saar Basin

SAARBRUECKEN, May 23.—The number of unemployed in the once comparatively prosperous Saar Basin rose from 3200 to 35,000 in two months, the local Nazi government here has admitted. At a meeting of the Labor Front in Neukirchen, Nazi "Commissar" Burckel stated that the German government proposes to send the 35,000 unemployed of the Saar to the "less densely populated parts of Germany." The first transport of 2000 Saar unemployed is to leave for East Prussia in a few days.

German Coal Miners Win Strike

ESSEN, Germany, May 23.—Coal miners here, as well as in Hagenbeck, struck work on May 7 for two hours to win immediate payment of "delayed" wage checks. Their quick victory has left them in a strong mood for struggle.

British Police Get Air Force

LONDON, May 23.—At the request of the Chief Constable, the Glasgow City Corporation has empowered him to charter aeroplanes for use in "suppressing crime" whenever he thinks it necessary. It is obvious that their use can only be intended against large mass formations, such as working class demonstrations. Last year the Chief Constable of the County of Glamorgan used aeroplanes to break up demonstrations converging on Bridgend from neighboring mining valleys. Scotland Yard used aeroplanes last September 9 in an attempt to counter a great anti-fascist demonstration in London.

Half Million Celebrate Moscow Subway

MOSCOW, May 23.—More than 500,000 workers turned out in a spontaneous parade to celebrate the opening of the new subway to commercial traffic. At the close of day the stations and trains were overwhelmed with masses of workers, eager to ride on their new transportation system, in spite of the fact that the fares have been set at the high price of a half-ruble on the opening days to discourage too great a volume of traffic. The parade, beginning about sun-down continued until midnight, past the Soviet building. It is estimated that 350,000 people a day have ridden the subway system. Most of them riding for the fun of it, trying out the automatic doors, jumping off at each station merely to get another train to any place. It was really an underground picnic.

Nazi Armaments Include 450 Torpedo Boats

BERLIN, May 23.—Germany has added 450 "vest-pocket" torpedo boats to her fleet. Each is capable of sixty knots, carries a crew of five and armament of four torpedoes. French and American naval experts express doubt of the practical utility of such tiny war vessels, but the Nazis claim many advantages for them, such as economy in operation, ability to harass and annoy enemy fleets, speed and size renders them hard to hit, and "only" five lives could be sacrificed for each one sent into action. Nazi experts announce plans to perfect such boats of twice the size, carrying ten men, and with a cruising range of 2000 miles.

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CAPABLE PHARMACIST IS PAID MORE THAN IN UNITED STATES

SAN FRANCISCO, May 23.—The contrast between conditions under which doctors, druggists and dentists are forced to work in capitalist countries and the way they are treated in the Soviet Union is noted in the Northern California Drug News, a bimonthly publication issued in San Francisco.

Here is what the May 15 issue of the Drug News says about the profession in the Soviet Union: "Whatever your viewpoint is toward the U. S. S. R. it must be admitted that the present Russian Government evaluates the profession of Pharmacy more highly than our Uncle Sam."

"While it is true that in Russia Doctors, Druggists and Dentists work for government wages, yet the merit system prevails and the 'Three D's' are rewarded according to worth. Even in small villages the wages for Pharmacists is \$250 a month."

"A capable Pharmacist receives \$350.00 a month which must be admitted is considerably above the net earnings of most American pill rollers. It would seem to indicate that the Russian Government has given recognition to the Profession of Pharmacy that few other countries have equalled in the apportioning of wage rewards. (Sid Yeomans)."

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What Would You Do In The Next General Strike?

An Old Trade Unionist Gives Impressions Of Last Strike and a Few Pointers On How to Win the Next One

By a Veteran Trade Unionist
Here are my experiences in the last San Francisco strike and a few suggestions for coming strikes. Following are some of the things that happened in the General Strike Convention.

The delegates were not elected by rank and file vote, but were appointed by the reactionary presidents of the unions. In plain words, 90 per cent of the delegates were opposed to a general strike and were not in sympathy with the longshoremen.

* Teamsters Union.

Take for example the Teamsters Union. The president, Michael Casey, not only fought on the floor of Dreamland Rink that the Teamsters scab on the Longshoremen, but voted along with 200 others to betray the workers. The Teamsters are real union men, and by a vote of 200 to 20, notified the shipowners and Industrial Association that they would not scab on their brothers, the Longshoremen. The Teamsters failed to follow up their successful vote, by electing a strike committee of 25 members. Michael Casey used his good office as the president and appointed fakers like himself to the Strike Convention. So you can see what a razzing the Teamsters gave and 100% of the other unions got the same deal.

* Lack of Strategy.

Another thing wrong with the left wing delegates was the lack of strategy on the floor of the Convention. The left wing delegates first on all questions, and then washed up on us in the last half of the debates. The left wing should have reversed the action.

The left wing delegates always sit up close to the chairman when sitting at a Council or Strike Convention, so if he is O. K., to protect him, and if he is no good, he will be good if you are close to him.

Study the Roberts Rule of Order so you don't act like a dumbbell on the floor, like the chairman fakes, Vandenberg. Don't let the fakers outsmart you.

When you hear a left wing delegate take the floor, contact him after the meeting and get his name and address and union affiliation, so you may call him to a left wing meeting.

Left wing delegates must unite before meetings take place, otherwise you're sunk.

* Pick Good Speakers.

If you intend to bring anything on the floor, pick your best speakers to make the motion, so then he will have the last to say on closing the debate, also hold your good speakers for the last end of the debate.

Now for a blue print of action for the next general strike:

1. A vote YES on strike must be followed up with a vote to elect 25 on strike committee. Make sure only those who voted YES for strike in the committee.

2. Place delegates from each strike committee to be seated in strike convention.

* Legal Department.

3. General Strike Convention: Elect legal department of 9, finance department of 9, publicity department of 9, permit department of 9, food department of 9. Be very careful that the above committees are fully COMPETENT. When you elect the above committees, make sure that they have BRAINS and can carry out their duties.

4. Call on all capitalist pressmen and the newsboys off the streets.

5. Call on the RADIO, TELEPHONE and TELEGRAPH.

* The Labor Press.

6. Only the Labor Press to be printed by strike committee. General Strike must be set by Strike Committee within TWENTY-FOUR to FORTY-EIGHT hours, mass meetings must be held all over the city to keep workers informed.

7. Most important of all is to pull out the power house employees. In so doing you make a real successful strike possible.

* No Holidays.

9. The Strike Convention must be in session every day—NO HOLIDAYS.

10. NO SETTLEMENT until ALL UNIONS are dealt with. Keep capitalist newspaper reporters away from the Convention at all times. The newspapers helped lick us in our last strike.

11. See that the committee meetings are held at different halls. See that there are no dictaphones in meeting places. Committee members to keep their mouths shut when on the streets as there may be a stool pigeon in their midst. Remember the enemy has brains; don't underestimate them, for they will outsmart you. Half the labor leaders are fakers and they are working hand in hand with the enemy. Remember the Industrial Association is merely the outpost of the struggle; the General Staff is the BANKERS and all orders come from their headquarters. IT'S WORKERS vs. BANKERS.

* Police Committee

12. A police committee of trusted workers with good labor reference must be elected to catch stool pigeons who may even bring dynamite around union halls or in picket cars to frame our leaders. The stool pigeon is labor's worst enemy. Check and double check every man on the committee. TRUST NOBODY. THAT MEANS TO BE ON YOUR GUARD.

* Know Your Enemy.

A capitalist newspaper publisher is always your enemy and he will attack and lie to the public about you, so you must not only boycott his paper, but you must carry the fight to his home by sending 100 pickets in machines to protest and picket his residence—and also to bankers' homes and industrialists. CARRY THE FIGHT TO THE FIRST LINE TRENCHES AND REMEMBER IT MUST BE A PEACEFUL PROTEST FOR A VIOLENCE IS THE TOOL OF THE STOOL PIGEON.

The above are just some of the highlights to carry on a successful General Strike. Send your own suggestions to the Western Worker.

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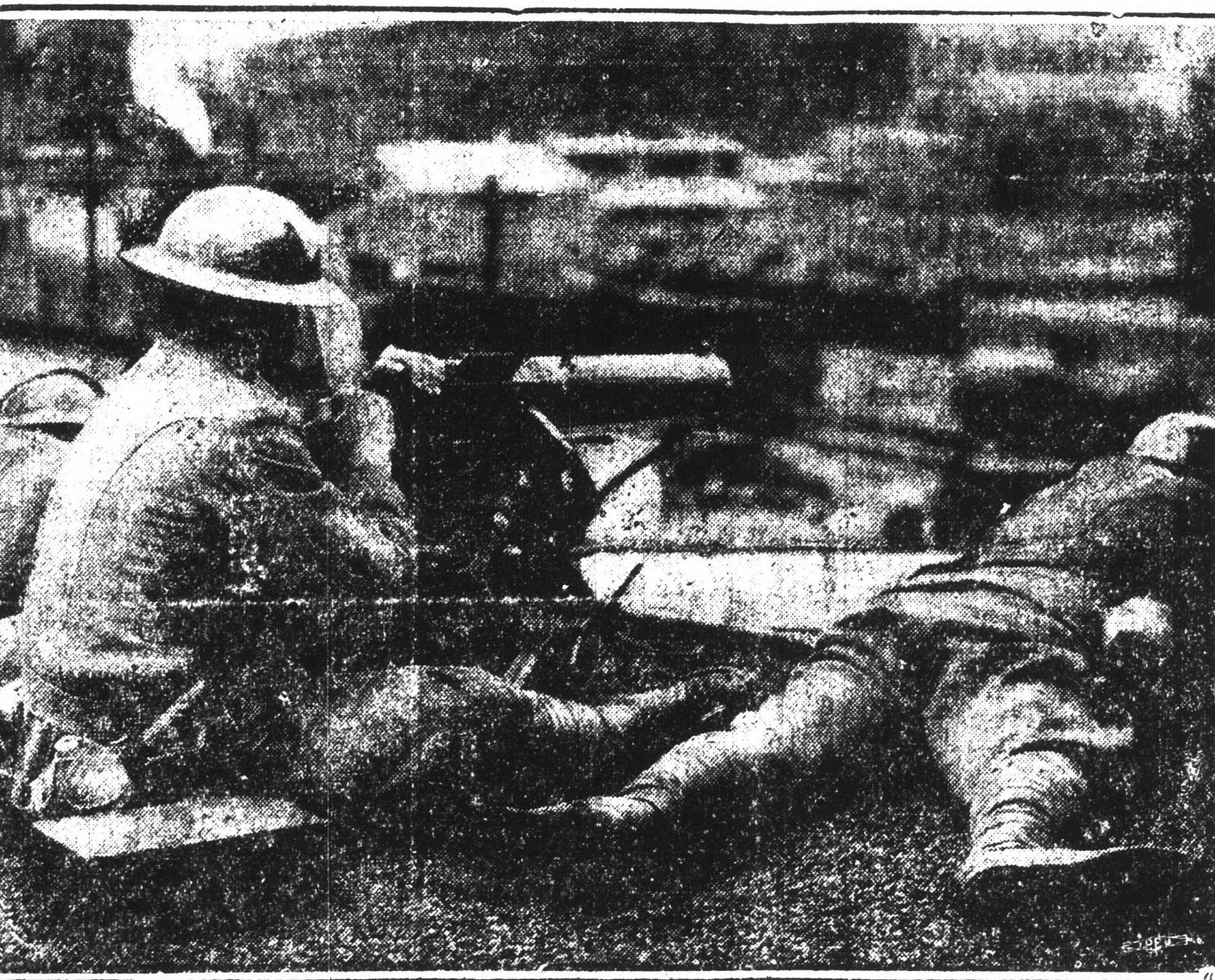
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THE ROLE OF THE INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION IN 1934 GENERAL STRIKE



Above: Workers chalked a tribute to Howard Sperry and Nick Coundorakis on the sidewalk at Mission and Stuart streets where they had been shot and killed during the "Bloody Thursday" day attack of police upon picket lines. "Bloody Thursday" has been set aside by the Maritime Federation as a maritime holiday. Below: Guardsmen with machine guns mounted on a pier during the General Strike, with orders to "shoot to kill" demonstrated conclusively wherein the violence originated.

BONUS LOSES

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(according to eyewitnesses) while the great relief program adopted by this Congress in a spirit of equality to all. Thus, it is better to continue the strikebreaking NRA for another two years, pay relief workers at coal rates, and above all make certain that the workerveterans participate in this "great relief program."

The touched lightly on the danger of inflation inherent in the Bonus bill but avoided mentioning any consideration of payment of the bonus by taxing the bankers and munition makers who reaped 400 per cent profits while the veterans were drawing a miserable \$30 per month in the trenches.

C. of C. Program Is Disguised Attack Upon S. F. Workers

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20.—A thinly disguised, but well organized attempt to further beat down the working class in the interest of business recovery is contained in the local Chamber of Commerce's widely publicized "program."

In a letter, signed by B. R. Fineman, Chamber of Commerce President, recently sent to every large and small business house in San Francisco, the main points of the program are outlined: 1. protection against the advance of radicalism; 2. practical steps for the depression; 3. activities for the general stimulus of business.

It is no accident that the "protection against radicalism" part of the program is placed first on the Chamber's 1935 agenda. Radicalism, to these over-weight gentlemen is synonymous with "unionism." Strong unions mean lessened profit—higher wages for workers.

New industrial enterprises are to be started—according to the Chamber of Commerce—but industrialists and bankers like best an open shop town, for obvious reasons. Therefore, smash the unions, shout the Chamber of Commerce and the Industrial Association.

The new "program" includes an organized body of Engineers (read-laborers) to aid in putting across the drive against "radicalism" and to restore profits.

Deport Aliens for The Color of Eyes, Says Ham Fish

CONGRESSMAN SNEERS AT WORKING CLASS DELEGATION

WASHINGTON, May 19.—Hamilton Fish Jr., representative from New York, informed a New York City delegation that as far as he was concerned "you can deport aliens for the color of their eyes."

His statement was seen by many as having direct bearing on the attempt of the New York City relief administration to "voluntarily" deport West Indian and other foreign born families now on relief rolls.

The delegation visited Washington to petition congressmen to vote against the proposed Alien and Sedition bills now pending in Congress. The visit was sponsored by the New York City Committee of the American League Against War and Fascism.

Negro Murdered By Policeman

NO CHARGES PREFERRED AGAINST KILLER OF WORKER

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 20.—The toll of Negro deaths at the hands of police mounts higher. Louis Rame, Negro worker of Gordo, Alabama, was shot and killed early Sunday morning by policeman C. A. Nollner who reported that Rame "resisted arrest."

The slaying occurred on the South side, where the policeman accosted the worker because the latter was carrying a package. No charge was preferred against the cop who gave the "routine" story that Rame attacked him with a knife.

10,000 March Against War

NEW YORK, May 18.—10,000 workers, including thousands of youth from high schools and colleges paraded up Fifth Ave. today to Union Square, where they held a demonstration against war. Many speakers, including prominent liberals, spoke against war.

Workers Protest Royal Nonsense

INDIGNATION IS AROUSED BY WASTE OF MONEY ON HISTORICAL RELIC

LONDON, May 24.—Workers with banners protesting against the nonsense now taking place in London in honor of his Majesty King George, were beaten back by mounted police. The workers protested against the extravagant expenditure of money in silly ceremonies at a time when so many were without work and unable to support their families.

Meanwhile behind heavy lines of police, the wealthy parasites paraded their costly clothes and ostentatious in paying tribute to a relic of the middle ages. The reception and ball were given by the Lord Mayor and the Corporation of London, who represent the wealthy British capitalists who have succeeded in exploiting workers in every part of the globe.

The workers showed their determination to end a system that allows such luxury and idleness in the midst of poverty by singing the Internationale.

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EPIC MACHINE IGNORES C. P. UNITY APPEAL

LETTER TO CONVENTION CALLED FOR LABOR PARTY

LOS ANGELES, May 24.—On May 15 the Communist Party, District 13, officially addressed a letter to the State Convention, Epic League. The letter contained an official appeal for a united front.

On May 18, the last day of the Epic convention, mimeographed copies of the letter were thrown from the galleries down among the Epic delegates. This was after it was quite evident that the Sinclair machine had no intention of even reading the appeal, much less permitting debate or action on it.

The letter said in part: "Events in a score of countries have already shown that unless there is a united front of all elements hostile to fascism, then fascist reaction will be victorious."

* United Front Urged.

"Last January 5, in a letter, we addressed ourselves to your organization, proposing such a united front. We suggested the fight for unemployment insurance, for free speech, for old age pensions and similar measures of common interest as a basis for united action. We are sorry to say that our central organization ignores our letter. However, many thousands of local Epics, Utopian-made unionists, professional people and others, through their own local organizations did join with us."

* Propose Labor Party.

"We now propose to you a United Front on the political field. It is true that there are basic differences among the anti-fascist organizations especially a common platform. But there can be little doubt that the immediate needs of the people that make up our movements are very much alike. Our proposal is to make the fight for these needs a common platform, upon which to unite on the political field. For this we propose the organization of a third party, but of a Labor Party."

"The organizations that join such a Labor Party can maintain their own independent organization, their own ultimate aims and their own place on the ballot. But we can adopt a common platform of immediate demands and a common picket, which we can list in each of our own places on the ballot. The cumulative vote will go to elect our jointly nominated candidates."

As soon as the appeals fluttered down, Sinclair took the floor with a bitter denunciation of the Communist Party, saying: "They are here for the purpose of making trouble, for publicity alone."

GALLUP

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* No Kidnap Probe.

Probability of a grand jury investigation of the Minor-Lexington kidnaping by masked thugs lessened as State Attorney Patton remained inactive following his recent statement that in his opinion "any grand jury investigation should follow and not precede the trial of the fourteen framed Gallup workers."

Patton has pointed out the powers of a grand jury are almost unlimited and that there still is a possibility additional indictments might be returned and more defendants added to the present fourteen held on charges of murder and of "aiding a prisoner to escape."

Meanwhile a flood of propaganda from the district attorney's office and given front-page prominence in local capitalist, mine-owned newspapers, attempts to whip up further Lynch spirit against Communists and trade unionists who are the backbone of the Gallup defense.

The local chairman of the American Civil Liberties Union, in announcing a mass meeting, stated in the local newspaper which is the organ of the late Senator Cutting, that "radicals and Communists" would not be welcome at meetings called by his organization.

SOVIET UNION

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the workers of America concerning the nature, course and climax of the capitalist system, and what they should do to effect their social, economic and political emancipation, and the blinding blight of superstition and ignorance which the Hearst propaganda is intended to impose. An insight into the situation as it really exists in the Soviet Union will do much to bring information and clarification to the minds of the American working class.

(Article 3 will follow in the next issue.)

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Saturday Eve., June 8, at 8:00 o'clock. Eagles Hall. Dance and Entertainment. Benefit: State Conference for Repeal of Criminal Syndicalism Law. — Door Prices. Beer and Refreshments. Admission 25c.

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ANNUAL PRESS PICNIC June 9th Royal Palms Grove, San Pedro. Let's make June 9th the biggest blow Hearst has received. RESERVE THE DATE.

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TRADE UNIONS IN SAN DIEGO

Lee Beach, local secretary of the American Youth Congress reported on the regional conference held recently which the Federated Trades had endorsed. He said: "There were 188 delegates representing 32 labor unions and other organizations having a membership of 49,800 people. Resolutions were adopted demanding 'equal pay for equal work, regardless of sex or color,' 'elimination of the speedup system in industry,' 'higher wages; the thirty hour week; and a resolution urging all young men and women to join the American Federation of Labor.'"

It was voted to have a delegate at the next meeting of the local conference of the American Youth Congress which will be held on May 30th.

A letter from the Los Angeles Central Labor Council was read asking for support in its attempt to establish a new radio station in the interests of organized labor. It would be known as "K.L.C."—The Voice of Organized Labor. The communication stated that the broadcasting interests and antiunion groups are opposing the new station and that Ralph L. Walker, examiner for the Federal Communication commission recommended denial of the license.

The local council voted to send a resolution to the Federal commission urging them to grant the license, and ask all unionists and friends of organized labor to immediately communicate with Mr. Anning S. Prall, chairman, Federal Communications Commission in Washington, D. C., urging the granting of the license.

Telegrams have been sent to the state legislature from the Federated Trades and every local union, opposing the insurance trust bills, Senate Bills 491, 492, and 493, which are now before the legislature. It was explained that these bills would practically nullify the Workmen's Compensation insurance laws and deprive thousands of workers of compensation insurance benefits.

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IN THE AGRICULTURAL FIELDS

The current government drive "Off Relief Onto Work," has created a condition in California agricultural fields which will undoubtedly have serious results in the immediate future.

A bulletin from the STATE EMERGENCY RELIEF ADMINISTRATION, dated May 9th, reports:

"It is the SERA slogan and it is working successfully, Frank Y. McLaughlin, SERA Administrator jubilantly declared today. "Determined to save the taxpayer money and lift the able-bodied man getting cash relief back 'on his own' again, Mr. McLaughlin instructed his assistants throughout the state to expedite the program.

"Today he received word from San Joaquin County that 1,700 relief cases had been closed within 12 weeks. Of these, 1,300 accepted private employment while 400 refusing employment found SERA aid cut off.

The same bulletin reports from another San Joaquin Valley section that 900 cases were closed because workers accepted private employment and 300 were closed because such employment was refused.

Since that day relief cases have been cut at a rapidly increasing rate. Newspapers report the move as a recovery development.

The truth of the matter is that a conspiracy exists between the big growers and the relief offices. The grower offers the workers employment in the fields at a wage the same or lower than his relief quota. If the worker refuses, he is immediately cut off relief rolls. Thus relief workers are bound over to the big growers like so many slaves at a fixed minimum wage.

This drive is accompanied by a rigid anti-red campaign. Sheriff's deputies and hired thugs patrol the fields like slave drivers ready to slug or jail any man who protests.

Kidnappings and beatings have already developed in the Hayward pea fields where wages are reported at the incredibly low figure of fifteen cents per hour. Reports continue to come in from every agricultural section, indicating that this drive is being carried out on a statewide scale.

It is particularly significant that this follows immediately after the conviction of eight working class organizers in Sacramento on framed charges of Criminal Syndicalism. Among those convicted were the leaders of the Cannery and Agricultural Workers Industrial Union which succeeded for a time in preventing the big growers from driving the workers into peonage. This union actually won wage increases of millions of dollars. Hence the Sacramento frameup was plotted and carried out by the big growers through their organization, the Associated Farmers. It was accompanied by a statewide reign of vigilante terror to break up all organization among the agricultural workers. In these maneuvers, the state government gave full cooperation, loaning police forces and government spy agencies to the private interests. The courts themselves were converted into tribunals of terror for wealthy agricultural companies.

The growers now regard themselves as monarchs in the fields. They consider their workers and the unemployed as a section of the populace in semidiscipline—a mass of propertyless men and women who should accept any work offered to them, regardless of wages, and be glad to get it. They drive them to work by the threat of starvation and try to prevent them from organizing by ruthless terrorism.

Out of this desperate situation, a series of bitter struggles can be expected. There is only one answer for the agricultural workers; organization and the strike weapon.

Watch the pages of the Western Worker for all developments in the agricultural fields.

THE PATMAN BONUS BILL

President Roosevelt's message on the Patman Bonus veto was not so much a talk against that particular bill, as against payment of the bonus in any way, shape, or form.

To support this stand, he declares: "The herculean task of the United States Government today is to take care that its citizens have the necessities of life. We are seeking honestly and honorably to do this irrespective of class or group."

If this were true, the task would hardly be "herculean." To effect adequate distribution of necessities in a nation overburdened with surpluses would not be any task at all were it not that the interests of the capitalist class are at stake.

And it is certain that if the veterans were today receiving adequate relief they would not be instituting such a vigorous demand for their bonus.

On top of this Roosevelt has the unparalleled gall to mouth this demagoguery only a few days after slashing relief budgets all over the country.

The stand of the Communist Party has always been that the bonus must be paid and paid immediately, not by any crawling schemes hatched by the politicians representing monied groups, but by direct taxation or assessment on the men who profited billions of dollars out of the gore and slaughter of the World War.

This would certainly be a simple, direct and fair method, were it not that Roosevelt and his whole administration are no more than the lackeys of these same profiteering interests.

The issue of relief is just as clear and easy of solution as the bonus, if the government was not the agency of the monied class. TAX THE RICH AND FEED THE POOR. It is as simple as that. But instead, the government sweats over involved schemes to make the poor feed themselves by some Christ like miracle.

As regards both bonus and relief, the problem becomes "herculean" to the government of capitalism, for it exists for the purpose of preventing these very methods—which are the only methods by which the task could be accomplished.

When Thieves Fall Out



A True Story

CO-OPERATION

By D. D. Craig

He pushed one of the numerous buzzers on his desk, leaned back and waited. A door opened and a prim, youngish appearing woman entered.

"Yes, sir," she murmured in a whisper, as she walked up to the desk, notebook and pencil in hand. "Sir, down." He cleared the rumpled San Francisco Examiner off his desk. His thin lips parted; they said:

"Take a telegram to the legislative representative of my district." He eyed the Examiner lying on the floor. The secretary poised her pencil; short hand scribbling shot across the white notebook. She looked up. He started to dictate.

"In regard to voting on the taxation of the higher bracket earnings I demand that you fight this outrageous attack on the decent citizens stop. Present this proposed request to the floor leader, signed."

X Clothing Store Co. "Will that be all, sir?" the secretary rose to her feet.

"Yes. Get that off right away." He waved her out with a soft, pushy hand. He leaned down and picked up the crumpled newspaper.

"Damn those representatives!" he muttered, his hand stomach rising and falling like cake dough under the knead.

The X Clothing Store Co. President and owner sat in a huge leather chair in his study. The representative of the California State Legislature sat opposite the Employer of labor. The Employer opened the conversation.

"Something has to be done about this damnable tax you have before you in Sacramento." He in a chair, puffed slowly and leaned toward the legislator. "How strongly is it supported?"

The representative of the People of California crossed his knees and replied: "Not so strong. The A. E. of L. hasn't started any move to approve it therefore labor hasn't any concerted drive for it. He knocked off the ash of his cigar.

"Good," smilingly answered the clothing store employer.

"Excellent," cut in the legislator, "the Hearst press and fellows like you. And there are not enough of you to create any appreciable opposition to it. And then you speak for your own interests a little too gloriously." The representative of the people smiled.

"Of course," he continued, "the radicals and the communists are making a hell of a fuss. They claim it is necessary for the people of the State to support the bill."

"By God," spluttered out the clothing store president, "those damned aliens ought to be burned at the stake!" His belly heaved, his face flushed. His pushy hand slapped the glass topped desk.

The legislator nodded agreement. The Clothing store employer straightened out his coat. He leaned back in his chair, panting. Getting his breath he said:

"How can I bring pressure against that bill?" He shot the question to the legislator. His heavy eyes were still, and glassy. His hand trembled just a little.

"What about having your employees send in a protest?" replied the legislator.

"My employees?" "Yes," the representative of the people leaned over to the clothing store owner. "A few workers' written opposition to that bill and the legislature would kill it in committee."

The clothing store employer of labor stood up. A smile came over his wrinkled face. He rolled his hands together. Walked up and

down the library, then pulled the bell for the butler. He stood before the legislator: "Would you like a drink?"

*** The hall of the X Clothing Company held about two hundred one hundred and fifty employees, sat still and quiet. A small man had just explained that the president of the company would like to speak to them.

Whispered questions trailed around the hall. Bewildered looks came on the faces of many of the workers. What was this? Fired? Pay cuts? Fear controlled the many who sat stiff and straight in their chairs.

The president, freshly dressed, scowlingly walked to the table on the middle of the platform. The audience of workers sat back in their chairs.

"Fellow workers," the president announced in a wheezy voice. "I have called you here to do what we always do in time of emergency."

The workers shifted in their seats. Then it was to be a lay-off. The president cleared his throat.

"We have to cooperate. You need me, and I need you." He stopped. No one had applauded his

smart remark? Were there radicals in his organization? Holding on to the table edge he continued:

"There is a bill before the legislature now. It is an obnoxious bill. To overtax and unfairly rob the ones who give you jobs. It is a bill that would, if passed, nearly ruin me. Then I should be obliged to dismiss nearly all of you." He paused. He saw that no opposition was to come from his employees. His strength and courage flowed through his body like new wine. Why, he thought, they're afraid. All his doubt as to possible mass opposition to him were nil.

"Now I want you to go home tonight. Write out on a piece of paper, and the older paper the better—use a piece of wrapping paper if you want—your opposition to this bill."

He gave the number of the tax bill. A man on the platform wrote it out on the large blackboard.

"Now bring in this letter. I'll mail all the letters and read them personally." Now for the last shot, he thought. "And anyone not writing this letter, I'm afraid, has to look for another job."

He walked off the platform into the little office near the staircase.

A True Story

THE BUM STEER

BERKELEY, Calif., May 20.—The youthful staff of the "BUM STEER," a little, independent student paper which has been appearing in the Willard Junior High School in Berkeley, has been learning things that some grown-ups don't know yet.

During the nation-wide excitement over the recent student strikes, George Engelhard, 15, and Bob Edwards, 14, approached Mr. Glessner, their principal, with a proposal that they organize and publish a school paper. Mr. Glessner was a bit dubious, at first, and nervously insisted that they should not deal with anti-war questions.

When the boys agreed to work with a faculty sponsor, Mr. Glessner gave his consent to the undertaking, and agreed that they could choose their own advisor.

* Without Censorship.

George and Bob organized an editorial staff of 10 students, representative of the various classrooms and proceeded with the first issue of the "Bum Steer." Copy was written, a mimeograph borrowed, stencils were cut, and ink and paper purchased. They were given a letter box in one of the classrooms in which readers of the "Bum Steer" could drop contributions in the way of news, etc.

It was unintentional, but the sponsor the boys picked was very lax in keeping appointments and the whole issue went to "press" without his supervision.

The first edition of 250 copies appeared April 25; 6-page letter sized. It was distributed free on the school grounds by the staff, in the class rooms by the teachers, and the students were wholeheartedly enthusiastic. The "Scoop," a student paper in the same school which gets careful supervision by the faculty advisors, lost out on comparison with the "Bum Steer," even four or five of the teachers agreeing the latter was far the better paper.

* An Excellent Job.

The technical make-up of this issue clearly indicates it is en-

tirely student controlled; the staff had no teacher to catch the misspelled words and place the punctuation marks and see that all the spaces were counted just so. Nevertheless, it is a very good job; readable, clear, and with every item carefully chosen to appeal to a junior high school student.

Classroom notes, jokes, athletics, a short story and movie reviews were among the features. The youthful journalists had done a surprisingly good job.

But it only shocked Mr. Glessner. The front page story on the student strikes was too factual regarding the purposes of the strikers and the brutal activities of the police. Furthermore there was a joke about Mr. Hearst, as follows: "We know it is not right to talk about a competitor, but with bounties on squirrels and rats, why is William Randolph Hearst—oh, well, skip it." And on the last page was an excellent drawing to illustrate the fact that school children in the U. S. get an average of only one-sixth of a pint of milk a day. Mr. Glessner was doubly shocked; not because it was true—but because his students had found it out.

* Principal Disapproves.

A remarkably good humorous poem by Bob Edwards on the Townsend Plan failed to amuse him.

By no stretch of the imagination could this independent little paper be called "red," nevertheless it gave Mr. Glessner the pink horrors.

He took steps. He took away the paper's letter box. He called in the editor and had a heart-to-heart talk with him. He said he was pained to find one so young trying to deal with adult subjects such as war and Hearst. He called in the editor's small sister and questioned her about her father and mother and their doings and politics.

One or two teachers entered the fuss and told Engelhard he ought to keep politics out of the "Bum Steer," so it wouldn't be banned. Then they dithered around for a day or so and said flatly—stop

WORKERS' OPEN FORUM

THE SERA RUN-AROUND

Oakland, Calif.,
May 21, 1935.

Editor:

SERA workers in Alameda County must be careful to find out the exact amount of their budget gets figured by the social worker. A vicious practice going on in the placement department where work orders are gotten, over which social workers have no control, makes this necessary.

An SERA worker who comes to the department is liable to be given a work order for a day or two less than his budget calls for. No one in the placement department has the authority to cut down a budget but this is often done by the hunkies there when they think they can get away with it.

We can guess where the money goes that is cheated out of the SERA workers' budgets.

A Social Worker.

CHANGE THE SYSTEM

Wasco, Calif.,
May 20, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

The welfare system in California is worse than slavery and I do not see how it ever will be changed under the two old parties. I have seen women with babies in their arms come out of the welfare office crying. The average person who has had anything to do with the welfare office knows this is true.

So why vote for the old parties. Don't let them feed us this same old stuff every time they have an election. Vote a working man's ticket and keep our children out of slavery in their old age. Vote Communist!

R. E. L.

OPEN LETTER TO P. MUNI

San Francisco,
May 20, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

Would you be at all interested in printing the enclosed in the Western Worker? I am a local comrade.

To Paul Muni: I saw your picture "Black Fury" last night and came out heavy hearted. I saw a performance that was moving and disheartening. Genius of a high order, acting ability of depth and force—prosperity—bring a parable new age to the people.

You people a class that numbers millions today. Their only release is in the mind and heart

of that militant labor leader you so clownishly distorted. But he is not a clown in real life. He knows damned well why he is president of the rank and file.

Strikes are not started by demagogic agitators nor won by trick plays of stupid, ill-advised leaders with dynamite in their hands. Frankly, aren't you a bit ashamed. Have you ever thought of your gains in terms of a diving, or mental force instead of money. A force instead of a tool? The tool of Hearst? What an ignoble end to serve.

The dynamite of greater membership and organization of militant workers determined to win decent living conditions is the dynamite that will blow to bits the corner of misery and repression. That is the message that should have been brought to the people.

JOB FOR A DENTIST

Los Angeles, Calif.,
May 20, 1935.

Comrade Editor:

I know that it is not in order to send names of sympathizers through the mail, but if its possible, could you recommend a dentist in Los Angeles as a comrade of my friends and myself have a "hell of a lot" of work to have done and we would rather go to a comrade. We work so we will be able to pay what he asks. It's not an idea for cheaper work, just that we want to patronize a comrade.

Comradely yours

A. S.

Editor's Note: This comrade should get in touch with Communist Party headquarters in Los Angeles where, no doubt, he will be given the name of a dentist comrade or sympathizer.

WAR-MAKERS AND PEACE-MAKERS

Oakland, Calif.,
May 22, 1935.

Editor Western Worker:

A speaker coming in telling the problems the workers face to day said "Are you going to line up with the peace makers or the war makers?"

Later on what dealing with the subject of war he asked: "Are you going to join the friendship piers or the battleship piers?"

I thought this play of words might be an inspiration to your cartoonist who could construct a picture around them.

Wishing you continued success

A. R.

Navy Scraps Ships For New Equipment

EIGHT OLD DESTROYERS IN SAN DIEGO CONSIGNED TO THE GRAVEYARD

SAN DIEGO, Calif., May 18.—I have been reading in the papers about the huge naval ship building program which Roosevelt ordered. Only recently seven or eight new navy ships were assigned to the San Diego area to base here, although at present they are on the maneuvers in the Northern Pacific waters.

The way it looks the Navy is having an exciting time building more ships. So it sure was confusing to me when I read in a local paper that the Board of Inspection and Survey of the Navy was coming to San Diego to inspect a group of destroyers with the intention of having them scrapped.

They will be sold or scrapped or some other disposition made of them. The names of these ships are USS Thornton, O'Bannon, Tingey, Champlin, Morris, Radford, Mugford, and Renshaw.

The Japanese ships came here once in a while to pick up scrap iron which they carry back to Japan where it is turned into bullets and steel to make Japanese war vessels. Maybe the Navy figures on scrapping up these ships and selling these scraps to Japan. Who knows what is under the bonnets of these admirals?

dent control of any paper they put out.

* A Lesson Learned.

An editorial in the confiscated issue laid down its staff's declaration of principles: "We see no reason for sticking our tails between our legs and crawling into the nearest dark corner, and we don't intend doing so even if we get expelled from every school in Berkeley."

Mr. Glessner and the yes-memembers of the faculty have given the youngsters a very practical course in the meaning of the traditional "freedom of the press." Profiting by their lessons, the young journalists will have that freedom before they take over the "Scoop."

the Latest Lies From the Capitalist Press
BY COOLEY

The news-bow bawls
In streets and halls
And shouts before the door
And the man who buys
Reads all the lies
He read a month before.

*The Santa Ana Orange County Journal is all steamed up about the local labor situation, in its May 10th issue. It seems the folks around Santa Ana are needing some nice, cheap labor, of which the SERA was supposed to have a large supply. But when the Lords of Relief tried to make delivery by cutting the unemployed off the relief rolls and telling them to go to work, it was discovered the workers didn't come up to specifications—they were neither nice nor cheap.

According to the Journal "A self-appointed mass grievance committee yesterday confronted SERA Director William Tway with two claims: They could not earn a living at wages paid for beet work; they should not travel more than five miles to work. . . . Charles Fallert, National Reemployment Service Director, believed many still have the notion SERA will provide for them if they do not work."

That would sound bad if it were so, which it isn't, but it still sounds bad. James Francis Duke "asked" the SERA for some Mexicans for his 100,000 acres of land. The Workers' Clubs decided their regular grievance committee wasn't big enough, so the entire membership went down to talk it over with Mr. Tway. About five hundred of them on "a slightly appointed grievance committee," as the Journal puts it. And they presented their "motion" the SERA will provide for them "in the form of a demand that the SERA kick through with relief, until the agricultural bosses get over their notion that unemployed can be had in the fields for 12 or fourteen hours for a dollar a day."

The Mexican Deputy Consul Lucas Lugo told the Journal that many of his countrymen "have been unable to earn a living in beet thinning because they can not, unless they are in practice, finish an acre a day. . . the grievance committee was unreasonable in demanding men travel not more than five miles from home to work. Men have customarily travelled much further."

Workers "customarily" do a lot of things that the average boss wouldn't even do occasionally; but it is yet to be proven that the workers started the customs. And this idea that a man who can't live on his pay needs practice, instead of a raise, is something new in my experience. Mr. Lugo deserves a lot of credit for his originality.

On May 2nd the workers of Pismo Beach had a May Day program and picnic under the auspices of the Legionarios del Trabajo, with speakers from the International Labor Defense and the Pacific Coast Congress Against War and Fascism. The workers enjoyed themselves with games and barbecued beef and such.

The affair was dealt with in the San Luis Obispo Guide of May 3d in this fashion: "Their (the LLD) creed . . . is a red flag from every door-step; ravage and rapine; hoist their petard throughout the land and bring dishonor and disgrace to those they cannot rule."

Webster's New International Dictionary says a petard is a "case containing an explosive" which old-fashioned armies used to nail to the gates of cities or castles to blast their way in. I don't know what kind of games were played at that picnic; but I think the Guide exaggerates when it tries to imply that the workers were nailing petards to chicken coops and out house doors, and bringing "dishonor and disgrace" to the hens, etc. who occupied them. Or was that what the Guide meant?

The Monrovia, Calif., News-Post of May 3d said this: "In this state there have been outbreaks of violence"—True; look at the vigilante attacks on workers in Pixley, Amador, Hayward, and Richmond. Consider the lynching of the two kidnapers in San Jose.

Continuing with the News-Post: "clearly of Communist origin."—False; the Communists never originated a vigilante raid, yet. And it was Governor Jimmy Rolph who gave official approval to the San Jose lynching.

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